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PROJECT BUSINESS MATTERS  
Request for Waiver – Project Completion  
Action Item

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**TIME EXTENSION REQUEST – CTC RESOLUTION G-99-25**  
**GUIDELINES FOR ALLOCATING, MONITORING AND AUDITING OF**  
**FUNDS FOR LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS**

**PROPOSITION 116 BOND PROGRAM**  
**WAIVER-00-63**

**ISSUE**

Resolution G-99-25, *Guidelines for Allocating, Monitoring and Auditing of Funds for Local Assistance Projects*, adopted by the California Transportation Commission (Commission) on August 18, 1999, stipulates recipients have up to 36 months after award of the contract to complete construction projects. The Commission applied these requirements to projects funded by the Proposition 116 Rail Bond Funds.

The Department of Transportation (Department) is requesting an 18-month time extension, from December 30, 2000 to June 30, 2002, for \$1,770,834 remaining from the initial allocation of \$3,000,000 for the upgrade of Amtrak station platforms at Martinez and Richmond. The extension is needed to ensure funds remain available to complete construction of these station platforms.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Department of Transportation recommends the Commission approve this time extension request from December 30, 2000 to June 30, 2002.

**SUMMARY**

On September 19, 1996, the Commission approved Resolution MBFP-96-01 which allocated \$1,540,000 in Proposition 116 funds and \$1,460,000 in State Highway Account funds for the upgrade of six Amtrak station platforms. Originally, the track work relating to the project had been delayed pending relocation of PG&E power poles on railroad property. The City of Martinez, Amtrak, PG&E, and Department worked together to design a power-pole relocation plan that would accommodate the needs of all parties. However, once underway, other issues were raised which warranted a re-design of the power pole relocation plan. A new design has been agreed to and the project is ready to proceed.

The platform project cannot proceed until the power poles relocation and track work has been completed. This extension will provide sufficient time for PG&E to relocate the power poles, Union Pacific to complete the track work, and Amtrak to complete the construction remaining station platforms.